FLORIDA ENERGY COMMISSION

Senator Lee Constantine

Sen. Lee Constantine, the only legislator on the Florida Energy Commission, has been a public servant for more than 25 years. He was elected to the Senate in 2000, and represents District 22, which covers parts of Orange and Seminole counties. Since elected, Sen. Constantine has been recognized as a leader for his commitment to preserving the quality of life for all Floridians, especially in the areas of education, environmental growth management and economic development.

Sen. Constantine is a consultant for commercial real estate and sits on the Board of Directors for DoubleVault Technologies, Inc.

Sen. Constantine chairs both the Senate's Responsible Regulation and Calendar Committee and its Ethics and Elections Committee. He also serves on the Senate Committees on Law and Justice and Calendar; Communications and Public Utilities; Transportation; Rules; Higher Education; Education – Pre-K-12 Appropriations. He also is a member of the Joint Legislative Committees on Everglades Oversight and the Public Service Commission Oversight.

Throughout his legislative career, Sen. Constantine has sponsored numerous bills of high significance, including the Florida Forever Program (1999), Everglades Restoration (2000), The Florida Unified Building Code (2000), Pre-K Education (2003), The Wekiva Parkway and Protection Act (2004), and the Florida Telecommunication Act (2005). During the 2006 legislative session, he sponsored a bill that helped establish the medical school at the University of Central Florida.

Sen. Constantine created and championed Senate Bill 888, which created the Florida Energy Commission.

Sen. Constantine also is active in his home community. He chaired the Wekiva River Basin Commission from 2005 to 2007, and the Wekiva River Basin Coordinating Committee from 2002 to 2004. He has served Altamonte Springs as its Mayor, Deputy Mayor and as a City Commissioner. In 1993, he received the Altamonte Springs Lifetime Community Achievement Award.

In 1974 Sen. Constantine graduated from the University of Central Florida with a Bachelor's degree in Communications. While attending UCF, Sen. Constantine served as Student Body President from 1973 to 1974. In 1996, UCF bestowed its Outstanding Alumnus Award.